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REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER 1700**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Serial No.: 10/659,548))Examiner: NGO, Lien M. Filed: 09/10/2003 Inventor: COLEMAN, Marian)Art Unit: 3727 For: CAP FOR BEVERAGE CAN

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION - AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed November 8, 2004, above-styled patent application, please amend application as indicated and consider the appended remarks. Please find enclosed amendments to the claims, including status of all claims. Applicant believes that the present amendments distinguish the claims over the prior art and thus, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.116(b), place the rejected claims in better form for

consideration and in condition for allowance. Please also find enclosed a Revocation of Power of Attorney with New Power of Attorney and Change of Correspondence Address. Please amend the record accordingly.

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